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## LOCAL MATTER.

E. O. WOODSON, City Editor.

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W. W. HOLMES,  
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LOCAL BRIEFS.  
Jas. P. Hayes pays the highest cash  
price for old metals, rags, hides, &c.

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"Old Prob" gives us partly cloudy  
weather to-day and local storms.

Great decline in prices of canned  
goods at J. M. Monie's. See notice.

For wagons, wheelbarrows and res-  
paw, see Plumadore's.

The News has a full editorial corps  
at the Charlotte Centennial to-day.

The weather continues extremely  
cool for this season of the year. Fires  
are not at all unpleasant.

Parker's ice-cream freezers, for sale  
by Messrs. T. H. Briggs & Son. See  
advertisement.

Fresh groceries are being constant-  
ly received at R. P. Howell's gro-  
cery. See advertisement.

The banks of the city will be closed  
to-day. A relief to many, doubtless,  
who are so unfortunate as to be the  
debtor to these institutions.

Our cotton market continues  
quiet, with but few transactions. We  
note little or no change in quotations  
for the past week.

The train for Charlotte yesterday  
evening was crowded. It would  
really seem that "everybody and his  
wife" intends Centennializing to-  
day.

The Bank of New Hanover having  
discontinued its business at Tarboro,  
Mr. Mathew Waddell, the President  
of the Bank at that place, will con-  
tinue the collecting business.

The frost in the upper portion of  
Wake county, on Monday night, ef-  
fectually killed everything "killable,"  
that had not been destroyed by for-  
mer cold snaps.

It is generally understood that busi-  
ness of every character will be sus-  
pended in this city to-day. The over-  
worked Editor wishes the 20th of  
May would come much sooner.

The Mayor's Court could not afford  
an item yesterday. Our new Mayor  
will have to bestir himself if he de-  
sires to preserve the respect of "Ye  
Locals" of the city.

Mr. C. F. Morel announces this  
morning that he will sell for the re-  
mainder of the season canned peaches  
and tomatoes at extremely low  
prices. See notice.

Cola, Goodloe and Fontleroy Tay-  
lor hold open celebrating the 31st as  
the Mecklenburg Centennial, in spite of  
public opinion. We wish them a  
happy time.

We acknowledge the receipt of the  
catalogue of Davidson College for  
1874-75, which contains much inter-  
esting reading matter to all the friends  
of education.

The N. Y. Herald (extra) of May  
20th, containing important articles  
in reference to the Mecklenburg  
Centennial, for sale by James H.  
Ennis, book-seller, in this city.

From the number of fishing rods  
and etceteras we saw being purchased  
yesterday, we presume many of our  
business men intend Centennializing  
on the different streams around the  
city to-day.

Some 400 hands are at work on the  
Raleigh and Augusta Air Line Rail-  
road, pushing its completion south  
of Sanford. The road has already  
been completed some 9 miles below  
Sanford.

We were mistaken in stating that  
the Southern Illustrated Age, Capt.  
Fulghum, Editor, would be issued  
this month. He will commence the  
publication of it about the 10th of  
next month.

The Centennial and the most of  
the different Conventions of the State  
will have been concluded this week,  
and now the good people of North  
Carolina will bestir themselves in  
nomination.

The general trade of our city this  
season has been good, notwithstanding  
the extreme scarcity of money. Our  
dry goods merchants laid in good  
supplies early in the season and al-  
most all of them have had to renew  
their stock more than once. We are  
glad to know that the general trade  
of Raleigh continues to improve  
every year.

Subscribers finding this notice  
marked are apprised that their term  
of subscription will expire within  
two weeks. All renewals must be  
prompt.

ESCAPE OF SEVEN CONVICTS  
FROM THE PENITENTIARY!

Fired upon by the Guard!—A Hot  
Chase.

One Killed, one Mortally Wounded,  
and the Others Recaptured.

Yesterday morning as a wagon  
was about going out the west gate  
of the Penitentiary enclosure, seven  
convicts who were close behind the  
wagon made a sudden rush upon  
the gate keeper before he could suc-  
ceed in closing the gate, overthrew  
him, and made their escape into a  
thick copse on the opposite side of  
the road.

Apparently no blame can be attached  
to the officers of the Penitentiary.  
The escaping convicts were at the  
time performing a designated work,  
and it might appear that their prox-  
imity to the departing wagon was cas-  
ual. It appears however to have been  
the result of a concerted plan, and  
their movements were deliberately  
timed so as to be at the gate simulta-  
neously with the wagon.

Great credit is due both to the  
guards and to the parapet for their  
prompt, though ineffectual fire, and  
to those in the guard house who  
sprang to the pursuit with instant  
haste, and who followed the chase up  
to the death.

The guard on the parapet fired  
upon the fugitives without effect, and  
they fled as rapidly as possible. Upon  
hearing the alarm, the guards from  
the guard house sprang to their  
arms and started in rapid pursuit.  
Near the residence of Mr. Grimes they  
came in reach of them and opened  
fire. One, a negro, named John Mills,  
sentenced for life for a murder in  
Halifax, was struck in the lower part  
of the back, the ball passing through  
him and killing him instantly.

Another, John Artis from Wil-  
mington, in for 40 years, was shot  
through the upper part of the body  
the ball coming out through the  
right breast. He was brought back  
to the Penitentiary alive, but will  
certainly die. A number of citizens  
at work near the Penitentiary brick  
yard, hearing the firing, interposed  
themselves to prevent the escape of  
the prisoners, and stopped all but  
one who evaded pursuit for a while,  
but who was captured later in the  
day.

THE LATE CHAS. F. HARRIS.  
The Charlotte Observer of Monday  
has the following to say of the late  
Editor of the State Agricultural Jour-  
nal:

A thrill of surprise and regret ran  
through this community when the  
news spread over the city on Sunday  
that this gentleman had died in Wil-  
mington on Saturday night. He was  
dearly known in Charlotte and had  
hundreds of friends here, for few men  
are better calculated to make friends  
of genius, gentleness, generosity  
and a score of other good quali-  
ties. His impulses were worth any-  
thing as passports to men's hearts.

May the clouds of the valley rest light-  
ly upon the bosom of this brilliant  
son of Carolina, this genial com-  
panion, this open-hearted, open handed,  
true and trusted friend of ours.

Mr. Harris' remains arrived in  
this city last evening on the Wil-  
mington train, and were met at the  
depot by a delegation of the masonic  
fraternity and members of the city  
press, and by them transferred across  
the city to the North Carolina train,  
which carried them to Concord, the  
late home of the deceased, where  
they will be interred to-day. Among  
those who were present at the depot  
were several former citizens of Con-  
cord, Messrs. J. D. Gibson, E. E.  
McDonald and J. L. Gilmore, also  
Mr. W. J. Montgomery, Hon. D.  
Shenck and ex-Governor Z. B.  
Vance. The body of Mr. Harris  
will be in the charge of R. M.  
Fulmer, Esq., editor of the Asheville  
"Citizen," who went on to Concord  
with them.

We can hardly agree with Col.  
Cameron in his description of the en-  
joyable occasion, as we participated  
in the light fantastic sport also, but  
let's it rather "too thin" to give as  
a reason for his feeling himself young  
again the "obligation incumbent  
upon his new position."

FEDERAL MEMORIAL DAY.—At a  
meeting of the ex-Union soldiers,  
held on Tuesday evening, the follow-  
ing committees were appointed:

Committee of Arrangements—Capt.  
C. B. Fairchild, S. D. Walt, G. H.  
Dichtl, Theo. Joseph and J. C.  
Brewster.

Committee of Finance—George  
Ziegler, Capt. E. Conklin, Col. A. W.  
Shaffer and F. R. Sorrell.

Committee on Flowers—Rev. W. G.  
Merts, Col. I. J. Young, Dr. W. H.  
Howerton and Major H. M. Miller.

There will be a further meeting on  
Tuesday night next at 8 o'clock, at  
the office of S. D. Walt, at which  
time the different committees will  
report progress.

PURE CINCINNATI BEER.—Mr. Z.  
W. Gill has received the agency for  
this District for the sale of the pure  
Cincinnati beer. This is one of the  
healthiest beverages extant, and we  
would advise every one to try it.  
Remember that Gill is the agent.

Among the Seniors at Davidson  
College this session we notice the  
names of Richard Spotswood Bur-  
well, of Raleigh, and Lunsford Rich-  
ardson, of Selma.

The News Job Office is the largest,  
cheapest and best in the city.

We are glad to see Captain Blake  
once more on the street. He is per-  
fectly well and bears but few marks of  
the severe injuries received by the  
upsetting of his engine; nevertheless  
he was scalded fearfully and his in-  
juries were well nigh fatal.

"Everybody" is off to the Centen-  
nial to-day and if Gov. Brogden is  
obeyed, those who stay behind will  
have nothing to do. It will be rather  
pleasant than otherwise, for while it  
suspends business, it puts society for  
the time in an agreeable disabille,  
for the ladies won't be looking out  
for beaux, and the men for business.

And in this it has the advantage of  
all other holidays, which are very ex-  
acting of the proprieties and particu-  
larities of life. It will be so delight-  
ful to do as one wishes one day in the  
year.

HERALD ENTERPRISE.—The New  
York Herald of to-day (Extra) has  
eight pages devoted to the Mecklen-  
burg Centennial, giving the different  
views bearing upon this subject, ac-  
companied by the autographs of the  
signers of the declaration, the field of  
Alamance and a fac-simile of a hand-  
bill said to have been distributed in  
North Carolina previous to 1800,  
being the declaration of independ-  
ence made by the citizens of Mecklen-  
burg on the 20th of May, 1775. This  
number of the Herald is full of in-  
terest to every North Carolinian.  
They are for sale at Ennis.

OUR EDITOR AS A DANCER.—Mr.  
J. D. Cameron, Editor of the News,  
in a letter from Wilmington to his  
paper, the Hillsboro Recorder, thus  
speaks of the elegant ball given the  
Press Association in Wilmington:

"After the installation of officers,  
the party repaired to the Opera House  
where a ball was given in honor of  
the Association. The Parquet was  
covered with a false floor, making  
the most perfect and beautiful dan-  
cing room I ever saw. It is pro-  
nounced the most pleasant ball ever  
remembered in the city. The hall  
room was filled but not crowded.  
Wilmington still retains its reputa-  
tion for beauty, and the daughters of  
old sweet hearts in my eyes did no  
detract from the pleasure of the  
matter of obligation incumbent upon  
my new position as President of the  
association, I did what I have not  
done these many years. I engaged  
in the dance, and with the pleas-  
antest of partners, it was not hard to  
do."

(For the Daily News.)  
To the Conservatives of Johnston  
County.

The County Convention to nomi-  
nate candidates for the Convention  
will meet in Smithfield on the first  
Saturday in June, and it becomes the  
people to bring out good and true  
men.

After a careful review of all the  
prominent persons in the county, no  
names present themselves with such  
force as those of Messrs. John F. El-  
lington and John L. Harper. They  
are intelligent, honest, upright, pi-  
ous, christian, gentlemen, and would  
honor the county by occupying a  
seat in the Convention, and the peo-  
ple would honor themselves in send-  
ing such good men.

HONESTY.  
May 19th, 1875.

WHAT HAS THE GRANGE DONE?  
From a speech published in one of  
our exchanges we make the following  
extract:

"It has caused business to be con-  
ducted on a more economical basis,  
and consequently has cheapened all  
things brought to market. It has  
brought producers and consumers  
nearer together. It has inaugurated  
in public sentiment a revolution in  
favor of cash system. It will take  
years to complete, but the great  
revolution has commenced, and mil-  
lions have already been saved to  
the people. It has already been  
begun to elevate farming as a pro-  
fession, and to make it a respectable  
each other socially and for business  
purposes. It has given an impetus  
to intelligent farming everywhere.  
It has sown seed that will ripen into  
a rich harvest of progress for the  
farmer, and consequently for all  
classes. It has inaugurated a reform  
that will not cease until virtue and  
honesty once more bear sway where  
ignorance and corruption held high  
carnival. It has put three millions  
of farmers to thinking. Are not  
those achievements enough for so  
short a time?"

A correspondent in a lengthy article  
innocently asks the Roanoke (Va.)  
Valley why men drink whiskey and  
then ends thus:

"He must be a fool who does not  
with the thunder and lightning ever  
playing around him. He walks at  
midnight shaking earthquakes and  
finds himself in the flames of hell,  
which play around him like serpents  
with forked tongues of fire."

What is the use of him asking, he  
knows why. It is the very worst  
case of Jim Jones we ever heard of.  
Snakes! Earthquakes! Flames!  
Thunder! and Lightning! Shades of  
erubus, bring us a drink.—Alexan-  
dria Sentinel.

Great excitement was caused in a  
rich family in New York by the un-  
accountable disappearance of a gold  
snuff box, richly set with brilliants,  
and equal satisfaction when a young  
gentleman of six acknowledged that  
he had utilized it as a coffin, and  
buried it with his pet canary in the  
garden.

A Nevada woman recently knock-  
ed down seven burglars one after an-  
other. Her husband watched her  
from the top of the stairs and he felt  
so brimful of battle that he couldn't  
cool off until he had jerked his eight  
year old boy out of bed and "whaled"  
him soundly for not helping his  
mother.

"Said a colored Georgia preacher:  
Dar's robber, and stealin' all around  
Dar's de Beecher business, de Wood-  
hull business, Sumner de dead, tar-  
sedes come whoppin' de Freedman  
bank has busted, and it seems as if  
de end was nigh, mighty clog at  
hand."

## GOOD THINGS.

Run joke! The Post says that the  
centennial of the battle of Brandy-  
wine will be celebrated with spirit.

Men who travel barfooted around  
a newly-carpeted bedroom often find  
themselves on the wrong tack.

"Big Cow, chief of the Arapahoes,  
is seven feet high in his moccasins."  
But his calves don't come up to his  
knees.

We understand that the plumbers  
are getting up a testimonial to "Old  
Probabilities," for favors shown this  
season.

The third husband of a fascinating  
woman spent his last breath in im-  
ploring her not to marry again till  
after the funeral.

An "experienced" coquette once  
said to a young man who touched her  
foot under the table: "Please  
don't touch my heart, it's old and my  
boots are new."

A "woman," says Buckle, "reaches  
her prime between thirty-five and  
forty; for, though her beauty has  
lost the charm of youth, it has ac-  
quired that of experience."

Sergeant Blake, they say, never  
swears or uses vulgar language. He  
thinks, perhaps, of the awful amount  
of profane language in others which  
he will be responsible for in the last  
day, and hesitates to add to it  
himself.

"Wasn't so very late—only a  
quarter of twelve." "How dare you  
sit there and tell me that? I was  
awake when you came in, and look-  
ed at the clock." "Well, isn't three a  
quarter of twelve?"

When they heard in Chicago that  
their base-ball club had been beaten by  
the St. Louis nine, the citizens went  
out the streets to talk and swear,  
and for the time forgot about their  
mortgages, empty buildings  
and dollar stores.

One of Brigham Young's wives  
told him the other day that when  
she heard that a St. Louis of Turkey  
had seven hundred wives, she felt  
mortified to think that her husband  
had allowed an outlandish foreigner  
to beat him so badly in that line.

There is a widely spread story that  
yesterday morning a policeman was  
called in to quell a family disturbance  
on Seventh street, and, as he looked  
at the broken furniture, ruined sofa,  
bleeding man and wife, he asked of  
the man: "Do you have the apple  
often?" "Well no," answered the  
man; "my wife's health is so poor  
that she will only strike back occa-  
sionally."

MISS PATTERSON.—Mr. T. C. De-  
Leon, formerly managing editor of the  
Mobile Register, but now man-  
ager of the Mobile theatre, has been  
tendered a benefit by a number of  
the leading citizens of that place,  
and has selected "London Assurance"  
as the play. The parts will  
all be taken by amateurs, among  
them Miss Patterson, who will ap-  
pear as "Grace Harkaway."

Miss Patterson recently read at the  
Varieties Theatre, New Orleans,  
to a large audience, of which occa-  
sion the Times says: "Miss Patterson  
was welcomed by a numerous con-  
course of people, representing the  
world of intelligence and fashion in  
the city, and she was enthusiastically  
prepared, moreover, to extend to the  
fair debutante a cheering mea-  
sure of favor. Among the notable  
personages in attendance, Mr. Jeff-  
erson Davis, who occupied a stage box,  
was especially noticed."—Exchange.

The Count of Paris has nearly com-  
pleted the fourth volume of his "His-  
tory of the Revolution of the United  
States." The Academy says of it:  
"It is, in the author's opinion, the  
most important portion of his work,  
dealing, as it does, with the turning-  
point of the war—the events that im-  
mediately followed Sherman's fa-  
mous march. The volume will be  
published in the autumn. It has been  
stated that a translation of the work  
was about to be issued by a London  
firm. Negotiations were, it is true,  
entered into with a view to such an  
arrangement, but at the eleventh  
hour, the French editor announced  
that he would rather his history  
should be translated and published  
by the Americans."

A man has just been sentenced to  
prison for eight days, and a  
fine of 100 francs for having inter-  
rupted a marriage ceremony in the  
Church of Notre Dame des Victoires.  
He was a disappointed lover of the  
bride, and by way of revenge he had  
strewed the floor of the church with a  
quantity of fulminating pellets,  
which exploded at each movement  
of the bride party and the specta-  
tors, and he was so terrified by the  
noise as to compel a suspension of  
the service.

Thirty inmates of the Mississippi  
penitentiary have escaped within  
the past two weeks.

WHAT THE NERVOUS SYSTEM.—What  
is the nervous system? It is an ex-  
tensive system of nerves, and its  
functions are of the highest impor-  
tance. It is the seat of all the  
sensations, and it is the source of  
all the movements. It is the  
great power of











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